San Bernardino County

System Improvement Plan Approval Document

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Program Areas:	Yes	No	Strategy:	Completion
Safety:				
Recurrence of Maltreatment	X		 Improve recurrence outcome data by assisting with redefining and developing (working with data workgroup) methodology for capturing the data. Evaluate, develop and implement standardized risk and safety assessment tool. Expand implementation and use of team decision making practices. Evaluate community capacity for early intervention and coordinate with community partners to develop and implement early intervention services through community based organizations. 	03/31/2005 09/30/2007 09/30/2006 09/30/2008
			Data reports, Safe Measures and contact with county will be used to monitor progress.	
Abuse/Neglect in foster care		Х		
 Timely ER Response (process measure) 		X		
 Social Worker Visits with child (process measure) 	Х		County employing quickpads and data input standards to improve results.	
Permanency				
Time to Reunification		Х		
Time to Adoption	Х		 Conduct review of the current concurrent planning policy and processes and incorporate updates and changes to policy/procedures that will improve outcomes. Review, revise and implement modified 	09/30/2007
			reunification assessment policy, if necessary. Implementation of Family to Family in	08/30/2007 09/30/2007
			appropriate county areas.Identify and engage key stakeholders in the Concurrent Planning decision making	09/30/2007

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Placement Stability		Χ		
Foster Care re- entry	X		 County implemented new programs such as SART and Healthy Homes. County has coordinated county services in the effort to fully address client safety and self-sufficiency needs. County hopes this effort will decrease the chances of neglect and/or abuse re-occurring and thereby reduce the chances of children re-entering foster care. 	
Well-Being				
 Preserving family relationships 				
Least Restrictive Placements				
IWCA Placements				
• ILP			 Expand and improve the quality of Independent Living Program (ILP) by working with the data workgroup to refine data collection techniques and expand data collection capabilities. Explore, evaluate youth self-sufficiency conferencing to develop and implement 	03/30/2006 12/31/2007
			 policy and procedures for youth self-sufficiecny conferencing. Establish policy on appropriate use of Transitional Independent Living Plan 	09/30/2007
			 (TILP) and train appropriate staff to improve TILP compliance. Expand IIP training for Foster Parents and Relative Caregivers. Identify youth, community partners, and other stakeholders to be involved in the development of a Youth Advisory Board. 	09/30/2007 09/30/2006
			Data reports and contact with county will be used to monitor progress.	
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Statewide Information				

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 Case Review 		
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Qualify Assurance System		 Develop and conduct a cultural survey to mandated reporters, social workers and providers to assess the child welfare system's overall understanding to racial and ethnic disparities. Identify barriers and explore areas of improvement. Develop training for mandated reporters, child welfare services staff and community partners in cultural awareness and sensitivity. Review, identify and update polices, procedures and practices in order to incorporate fairness and equity in all decision making.; Identify current resources and services and identify gaps in availability and barriers to accessibility in order to recommend solutions to resolve barriers to availability and accessibility. Data reports, Safe Measures and contact	09/30/2005 08/31/2005 09/30/2006 06/30/2006
		with county will be used to monitor progress.	
Training Array			
Service Array Agency			
 Agency Responsiveness to the Community 			
 Foster and Adoptive Parent Licensing, Recruitment and Retention 			

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